(c) No, Sir.

(d) To uplift the socio-economic conditions of OBCs, data on OBC would be useful in formulating schemes for their welfare.

**Status of proposals for welfare of older persons**

1310. SHRI N.R. GOVINDARAJAR: Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the details of proposals received from various State Governments for the welfare of older persons during the last two years;

(b) the funds allocated and released for these welfare schemes to the State Government during the said period; and

(c) the number of new Old Age Homes, Day Care Centres and Mobile Medicare Units to be opened during the current year, State-wise, particularly in Tamil Nadu?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT (SHRIMATI SUBBULAKSHMI JAGADEESAN):

(a) During 2004-05, 222 proposals and during 2005-06, 64 proposals of Non Government Organisations were received.

(b) There is no allocation for the States/Union Territories under the Scheme.

(c) There is no target.

**Tribals below poverty line**

†1311. SHRIMATI PREMA CARIAPPA:
SHRI MOTILAL VORA:

Will the Minister of TRIBAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the total number of tribals in the country and State-wise details of the people among them living below the poverty line;

(b) the details of the programmes introduced by Government for tribals and the measures taken by Government to provide its information to the tribals in this regard;

(c) the degree of benefits, the tribals are getting from the schemes/ programmes formulated by Government for them; and

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